

Earth Science Newsletter – May, 2019
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Hello!

The review schedule for the Earth Science Regents exam has officially kicked off (first due date is Tuesday, April 30th). Students must complete the following review tasks prior to the due dates indicated:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/ISSnc7f1BBjxIno6Yub4NKKaMzvKnfzFUOHSsoabLI_4/edit?usp=sharing

Note that each of the review assignments is accompanied by an answer key at the end, so that students can check their answers and then see me when they do not understand a particular question or concept. The purpose of this review program is for students to take ownership of their own learning and score as highly as possible on the Regents exam on June 20th. My students have learned a great deal of earth science this year, but there are certain tricks for mastering the exam that can only be acquired through additional practice. Students can find the link to this review schedule under the “Resources” Topic on Google Classroom, and they should bookmark it on their Chromebooks. These review assignments are in addition to my regularly scheduled homework/lab calendar.

On Monday, May 6th students must bring 150 index cards (3x5”) to class.

Students will receive a list of all the key concepts (not necessarily vocabulary) from the year, and will begin the process of making flash cards. These flash cards will be an integral component of the review process heading toward June.

On Friday, May 17th I will assign the Earth Science Poster Project as the 4th quarter literacy project (10% of 4th quarter grade). Students will make an original poem and combine it with an original photograph to illustrate an Earth Science concept as a digital poster. Students will vote on the most impressive posters, which will then be printed and displayed in the Annex hallways. This tends to be a fun way for students to showcase their Earth Science knowledge.

Shout-outs to the students travelling with us on the Expedition to SUNY-Newcomb in the Central Adirondacks this weekend for authentic field science experience! Also, don't forget about the whitewater rafting trip on Sunday, May 19th. Good times for Earth Science!

Sincerely,

Mr. Williams